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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 9-233243, published September 5, 1997, together with an English language Abstract; and

Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 10-107836, published April 24, 1998, together with an English language Abstract.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider all of the above materials and cite the patent documents and the enclosed Abstracts. Copies of the above-noted documents are attached and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

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Applicant also brings to the Examiner's attention the following copending patent applications:

U.S. Patent Application No. 08/930,609, filed on October 14, 1997;

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/314,958, filed on May 20, 1999; and

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/314,960, filed on May 20, 1999.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2)(iii), copies of the above-mentioned applications are not attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to review the file wrappers of these U.S. patent applications at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Of course, if for any reason the Examiner cannot locate any of the applications, Applicants will provide any requested materials, if possible.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,
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